

In the late 1890's and early 1900's bay windows, noble towers, and other obtrusive shapes and sizes seemed to protrude from houses new and old all across the states. New Windsor was no exception. Most homes in the town added some sort of decorative, bulky, and at times nonfunctional piece of architecture to the existing structure.

302 High Street is not bulky, but could be called "random". Different sizes and shapes exist from the main block. The difference is that this home was built as a united whole, rather than an eclectic project over a span of years. It was influenced by the times and fashions of it, but each part is seen as a part of another, rather than another addition.

The interior is completely original, with random size rooms, center hall, and natural wood accents. It is a wonderful monument to the architectural ideals of the day as they affected rural towns.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 302 High Street (MD 31)

CITY, TOWN New Windsor

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 11th

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Carroll

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE	
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME Mr & Mrs Granville Bixler (nee Elizabeth Bixler) Telephone #: 635-6522

STREET & NUMBER 302 High Street

CITY, TOWN

New Windsor

VICINITY OF

Maryland

STATE, zip code 21776

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

CARROLL COUNTY
OFFICE BUILDING

Liber #: 376

Folio #: 22

STREET & NUMBER

205 NORTH CENTER STREET

CITY, TOWN

WESTMINSTER

STATE

MD.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE 1896

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

EXTERIOR - The Bixler's own two, pre-1900, homes, this one in New Windsor, being the one they choose to reside in.

A coursed rubble stone foundation, holds a brick structure of running bone pattern. The wooden roofs, including both towers, are covered with slate. There are two and a half stories, plus a cellar and five bays across the front.

Most windows are 1/1, with plain trim and louvered shutters. Attic windows and one other window, second floor front, have semi-circular arches.

The front porch entrance is supported by five Doric columns, resting on a layer of running bond brick. The house is surrounded by a residential area.

Chimneys number two, one center and one side, interior.

INTERIOR - After passing through the entrance doors, with top and side lights, one faces an open hall with rooms on either side.

In the hall is a closed-string stairway, with turned balusters and a carved, square newel. Its one-run, single flight leads to the second floor. The wall finish is plaster. Interior door and window trim is symmetrically molded with corner blocks. The house includes two bay windows, parquet floors and built-in closets. All features are original. A very beautiful fireplace graces the left front parlor. Decorative columns support an egg and dart wood entablature. There are three other fireplaces around the house, including one in the kitchen, with a natural wood, rectangular opening, shouldered architrave, frieze and cornice.

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SIGNIFICANCE

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

PERIOD				
PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
100-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
1600-1699	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
X 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1896

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Grant Kaufmann

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Bixler home is all original, it has no interior or exterior alterations. So, in itself, it is a statement of late 19th century architecture in New Windsor. Towers were very common throughout Carroll county in the late 19th century, as well as throughout the country. The interesting thing about the building is that all inside layers of brick are from the Catholic Church which stood where the Blue Ridge Colle Gym was built. All attic floors are from the Church floors and the railing at the top of the kitchen stairs was the Church altar rail. The white painted brick garage in the back of the house was also built with bricks from the church. All windows and the rear door in the garage are originals from the Church.

The New Windsor Catholic Church was purchased on February 1, 1896 by John C. Buckey from Father Mead, Taneytown at \$100.

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MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY _____

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

SITUATE ALL THAT PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND
IN TOWN OF NEW WINDSOR, CARROLL
CO. MD. CONTAINING 1/4 ACRE OF LAND, MORE
OR LESS.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Fred. Eckhardt historic site surveyor

ORGANIZATION

CARROLL County COMMITTEE OF THE

DATE

AUG 16, 1978

STREET & NUMBER

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

WESTMINSTER

STATE

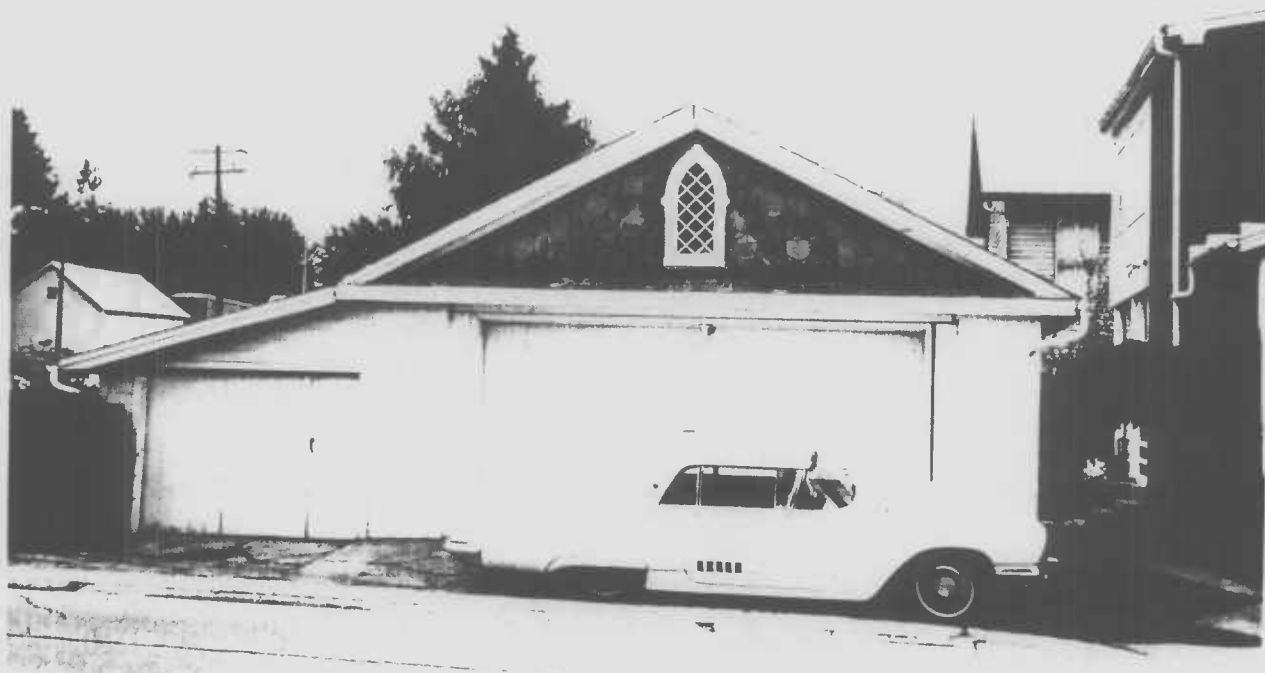
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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle
Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438





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HISTORIC BUILDINGS SURVEY

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CARROLL COUNTY, MARYLAND

File No. _____

Name
Brick (red) 3 story house - brick (white) garage

Type of Structure

Location: 302 High Street, New Windsor Election District: 11

Maryland Grid Location: _____

Presently owned by: Mr. & Mrs. Granville E. Bixler (nee Elizabeth Buckey)

Built: 1896 by: Henry Geatty

Land Records: Liber 376 Folio 22 Other _____

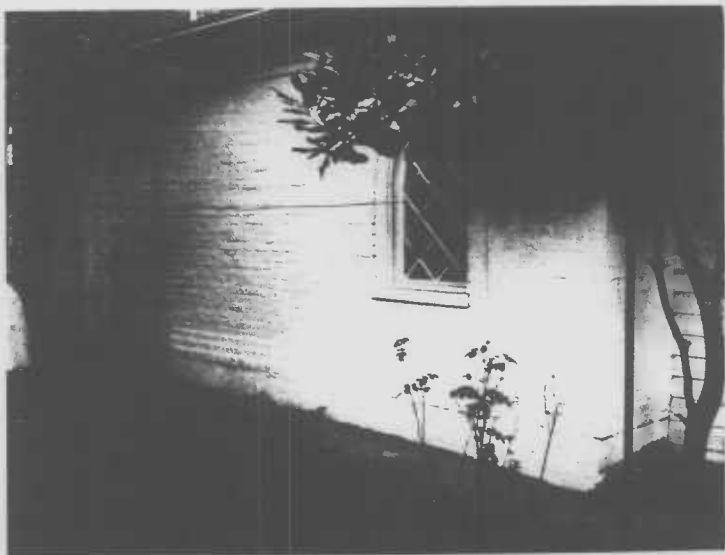
Open to Public: Yes _____; No ☒; Daily _____; By Appointment _____; Admission _____

Historical Data

All inside layers of brick in this house are from the CATHOLIC CHURCH which stood where the BLUE RIDGE COLLEGE GYM was built. All attic floors are from the Church floor and the rail at top of kitchen stairs was the church all the rail. All bricks in the garage and all windows and rear door are from the church. Garage was formerly a barn for two horses and carriages built by Henry Geatty, and was torn down by Paul Buckey and Uriah Fritz in 1933 and rebuilt by Grant Kauffman.

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Compiled by: Elizabeth Buckey Bixler Date: October 21, 1975 Sheet _____ of _____
(Mrs. Granville E.)



Formerly New Windsor Catholic
Church - U

Built in 1933

By Grant Kauffman

TYPE 307

C 5 0 2 0 8 1 0

Built in 1896

By Henry Meatty

Front of garage is in back
of house which was built in
1933 by Grant Kauffman

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Painting on chair shows the
New Windsor Catholic Church
before it was removed - 1896
(Feb. 1st) by John C. Buehney

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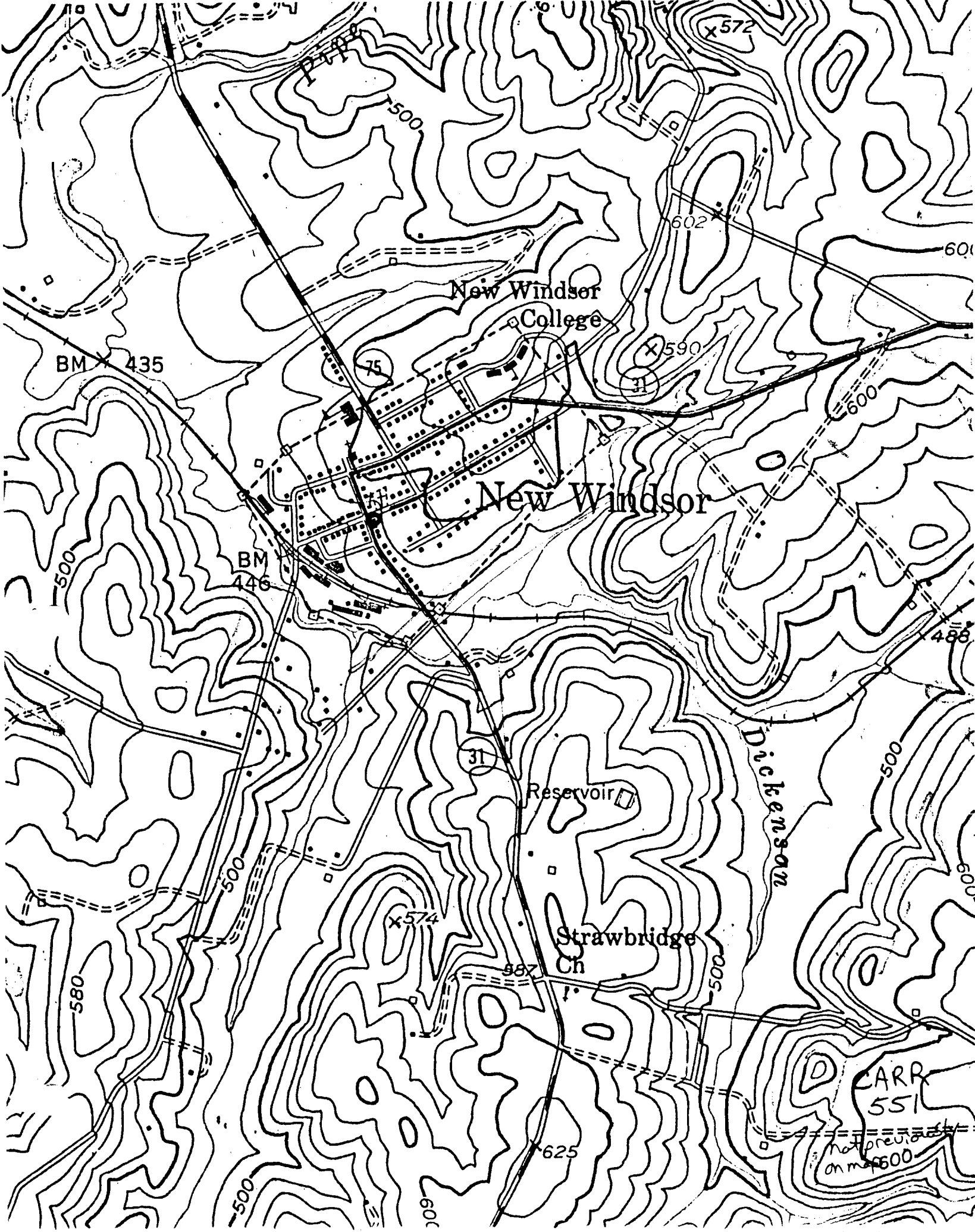
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5562 II SW
(UNION BRIDGE)

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2'30"

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302 High Street. - garage

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